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THE CHIEF SCOUT VISITS PORT ELIZABETH

Rev. Vukile C Mehana, Chief Scout of South Africa and Luke van der Laan, C.E.O. of South African Scouting attended the Cape Eastern Area Council Meeting on 9th September. The Chief expressed confidence in all our Commissioners who were determined to implement the Scouting programme in the Area, and thanked them for their devoted service.

Mr Arnold Witte was unanimously elected as Area Chairman for the next three years. Mr Matthew Reve has been appointed Cape Eastern Area Commissioner as from that date.

We wish all three gentlemen, The Chief, who has just taken on this most onerous task recently and this being the first Area he has visited outside his home town since his inauguration in June, Arnold and Matthew, congratulations in their new appointments. Knowing the calibre of all the people involved, we know that Scouting is in good hands.

Mr Bob Zeiss, a friend of scouting stretching over many years, has taken over the job of Area Property Manager.



*Rev. Vukile C Mehana,
Chief Scout of South Africa*

GONE HOME



A friend of Scouting, particularly in this Area – **VIV KENDAL** has gone home. I don't think that Viv would ever think of tying a Sheep Shank or a Bowline, but he certainly knew and understood how Scouting worked. He realised that without communication and information Scouting would grind to a halt. He was the ultimate group magazine man and encouraged the formation of Group Magazines with his "Press Club" suggestions which ran for many years in National publications. The Area, particularly the old Cape Midlands has a rich heritage of old photographs of the goings on in this Area, thanks to him. Looking back on copies of "Veld Lore" over 25 years, we see the many contributions that Viv had made, in photographs and stories, putting our Area on the South African Scouting map.

To Ruth, his children and grand children, we say, be proud of the "old man" who made a difference to Scouting and has left it a better movement because of his effort over so long a period.

CONGRATULATIONS:

LEAPING WOLF

Mzolisi Panyaza - Humewood Pack
Zuhlume Sinuka - Humewood Pack
Bradley Pitcher - 1st Vincent Pack
Barry Naude - Port Alfred Pack
Shaheen Karadia - 1st SOE Uitenhage Pack
Alexander Unsworth - 1st SOE Uitenhage Pack
Neal Woodburn - 1st SOE Uitenhage Pack
Aimee Brenner - 1st Sunridge Pack

LONG SERVICE MEDAL

Barry Carr - G.S. 1st Sunridge Group

BAR TO SILVER PROTEA

Edna "Tiny" Packwood - Asst. Area Comm. - Archives

H.V. MARSH AWARD

Editor: Lisbet Demeyer - "Algoa Anchor News"
Algoa Sea Scout Group



Regional Commissioner – Martin De Bruyn presenting the Bar to the Silver Protea to "Tiny" Packwood

TRAINING TECHNIQUE COURSE - GRAAFF REINET – 2006



"Grub up" for Ann Booth and Pappa Day thanks to Liz De Bruyn who did a wonderful job keeping body and soul together. Area Commissioner Matthew Reve, in the background, keeping an eye on things.



A group discussing a project – Cape Eastern Leader Trainer, Jeff Ferreira, watching the proceedings.

COMBINED CUB AND SCOUT WARRANT COURSE



South Eastern Region.

CONTACT A CUB PACK IN USA

Rachelle Fox, a Cubmaster of a Cub Pack 316 in Everett, Washington State, U.S.A., on the West Coast of that country, has asked for contact details of Packs in this area. Her E-mail address is timnrachelle@juno.com Her Pack is about 13 strong with Tigers, the youngest age group, Wolves, Bears and Webelos. Good hunting cubs!

H.V. MARSH AWARD REMAINS IN THE AREA

"**Algoa Anchor News**" of the Algoa Sea Scout Group and Editor Lisbet Demeyer have retained the H.V. Marsh Award Kudu Horn Trophy for the third year in succession. Sharing first place with "**Sweet Valley Echo**" - 1st Bergvliet Sea Scout Group of Cape Western Area, Algoa will display the trophy for six month and then hand over to the co-holders.

Congratulations, Lisbet and all those who help you produce this superb magazine.

"**Campfire Chatter**" of 1st Walmer Scout Group was awarded a Silver Certificate. - *Congratulations!*

"STOP PRESS"



The Jig Saw cheque presented to Sister Ethel at the very recent "Kontiki 2006" event. Wow! What an effort! Sister Ethel had the job of pasting up the ten pieces of the cheque before discovering the magnificent amount.

SCOUTS' MOUNTAIN OF LITTER!



Scouts in the Central District in the Umnquma District Municipality went on a clean-up and ended up with a mountain of black bags containing the litter from around their town. The community so appreciated the clean-up that the Scouts were fed a meal by the residents and municipality.

B-P DINNER – PORT ELIZABETH

Western Region's B-P Dinner was held at 1st Cotswold Group hall on Saturday, 18th February. The guest of honour was no other than B-P himself in the person of our friend and old scouter, Major Jack Haggerty, dressed in appropriate uniform. He entered to the sound of the Kudu Horn.

Presentations were made in front of a packed hall. "Packed" was a true description of those attending, including three Scouters from Cambridge Group in East London.

Long Service Medal: Barry Carr of 1st Sunridge Group

Bar to the Silver Protea: Edna "Tiny" Packwood A.A.C.

Medals awarded by the Eastern Cape Government were presented to Kathy Douglas; Colin Stretton; Neil O'Brien and Cathy Ingram, for work done for the youth of the province.

The Regional Commissioner, Martin de Bruyn then presented the **H.V. Marsh Award** to the Editor of Algoa Anchor News: Lizbet Demeyer.

After the fine supper, provided by the committee members, Scouters and Scouts of the 1st Cotswold Group, the gathering was turned over to the Presentation of the celebrations of the Centenary of Scouting by Colin Stretton. A film promoting the World Jamboree 2007 was shown and all present were urged to become fully involved

in the celebrations, starting now with the "Gift for Peace" and culminating with the Area Jamboree in Dec 2007.

Those present were given a Centenary Uniform Badge with sufficient to be worn, immediately, by each Cub and Scout in their Group.



B-P (Major Jack Haggerty) arriving at the B-P Dinner to the sound of the Kudu Horn. His wife, Peggy, on his right and Liz De Bruyn on his left.



Part of the magnificent crowd at the B-P Dinner.



Group Scouter, Barry Carr (left) received his Long Service Medal at the Dinner.

CUB POW-WOW – KNZ 2006

Time to start thinking about and planning to attend the 2006 Cub Pow-Wow to be held in Durban – Kwa Zulu Natal from 24 to 26 September 2006. The cost to attend is not yet been finalised, but start saving your cents now so that when we know the fee, you will be well on your way to reaching the target.

Akela, Veronica Davies is already planning to make up a Contingent to represent Cape Eastern Area, and as accommodation at the Pow-Wow is limited, get your name in early to be assured of a place.

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B-P SUNDAY



The Rev. Mark Derry conducted a B-P Service at St Cuthberts Church, which was well attended by Cubs and Scouts, there Scouters and parents. A flag party of over 15 Cub and Scout flags, led by "Bugs" carrying the St Cuthberts Pack totem which has a place of honour in the church, entered at the start of the service. 1st Walmer Scouts and Cubs read the

prayers and readings, while Rev. Mark gave an unique sermon with a large bowl of water being his main prop! At the close of the service, those attending were invited to enjoy a picnic in the church grounds while tea was served in the hall.

IT'S A PLEASURE TO GO INTO THE SCOUT SHOP!

Meet the ladies you will find at the Scout Shop in Port Elizabeth. From left: Mrs Tazie Nokele; "Tiny" Packwood, A.A.C., and Mrs Pat Minnaar. Tazie and Pat are the Area Administrators, while "Tiny" is Asst Area Comm. Archives, an example of what she put together at the recent B-P Dinner behind them. "Tiny" is wearing the Bar to the Silver Protea that was presented to her that evening.

**"Never take someone for granted.
Hold every person close to your heart;
Because you might wake up one day
And realise that you have lost a diamond;
While you were too busy collecting stones!"**



"SCOUTS FOR KIDS 100KM BAY-TO-BAY CHALLENGE".

On Saturday 25 March, Cubs and Scouts from 12 different Scout Groups in the NMMM, gathered for a special occasion.

Two weeks ago, on 11 and 12 March, these youngsters went through hardship, blisters and sore muscles while walking 100km for charity. They were joined by families and friends, and many supporters came through and helped where they could. BLS Medical was on standby for the full 24 hours, and Bushy Park's Puffer Hartzenberg allowed us to build a restcamp for those who couldn't go any further.



A Refreshment Station on the Walk – Thanks to the great band of parents and helpers who gave of their time to make the Walk such a success.

This Saturday, all the pain and hardship was forgotten when a magnificent cheque of R 26.500,- was presented to Sister Ethel of Missionvale Care Centre. A visibly emotional Sister Ethel thanked the Scouts and ensured all present, of the special place she has for them in her heart. She repeated that the money she receives from Scouts means so much more than any other cheque, because she knows about all the pain and blisters that go into this cheque. She handed out a special present to the Cubs & Scouts who had collected most money : Cotswold Cub Keagan Prowse and Algoa Cubs Brian and Kelly

Waters, who collected more than R 1000, and Algoa Scout Simon Urban who collected more than R2000 !

She proceeded with presenting the special "100km medal" to the 6 people who walked the full distance : Quinten Landman, Patrick Assumption and Kevin Potgieter of the St Albans Correctional Services Hiking Club– our biggest supporters from the very start, Peter Gardner – parent of a St Columba Scout, Martin De Bruyn –St Columba Scouter, and Stefaan Demeyer, Troop Scouter of Algoa Sea Scouts.

To finish the proceedings on a fun note, a special trophy was presented to the "Most Wacky Support Team": St Columba. A lucky draw was held and 8 lucky participants walked away with prizes from VW. The main Lucky Draw prize – a weekend accommodation at Bishops Lodge – was won by Mavis van der Bank of St Croix Sea Scout Group.

The 2006 Challenge was able, once again, to show the impact Cubs and Scouts can have on their community. Next year's event will coincide with the 100th anniversary of Scouting Worldwide and will become even bigger and better ! Be part of it ! Join the "Scouts for Kids 100km Bay-to-Bay Challenge"!

For more information regarding this project, contact us :

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Regional Commissioner, Martin De Bruyn completing the 100 Km walk with a group of "fans" keeping him company.